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MEMORANDUM

TO:

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ALL DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GOVERNOR

FROM:

Alonzo Monk, Chief of Staff, Governor's Office AM

Michael M. Rumman, Director, Central Management Services (W)

DATE:

April 5, 2004

SUBJECT:

Transformation of Statewide Information Technology (IT) and

Telecommunications Services

The purpose of this memorandum is to advise you that, as a result of the ongoing activities involving standardization and consolidation of IT and Telecommunications services as defined in Senate Bill 874, Central Management Services (CMS) is implementing a statewide IT and Telecommunications governance model. Please be aware that your agency will be required to follow and participate in this model.

The governance model is a natural outgrowth of our efforts and activities to date. To recap, the standardization and consolidation initiative commenced with a memorandum dated July 21, 2003 from this office announcing our intention to develop a master plan addressing the technical architecture, strategy and governance of IT for the State of Illinois. In a follow-up memo on July 25, 2003, Director Rumman announced authority under Senate Bill 874 for CMS to standardize and consolidate IT services used by agencies under the Governor with the intent of providing cost savings to the state by reducing unnecessary duplication of hardware, software and personnel resources. On October 23, 2003, Bureau of Communications and Computer Services (BCCS) Leadership announced the engagement of BearingPoint to conduct a thorough study of the potential for hardware and software rationalization and requested your cooperation in responding to an extensive data collection project.

With the standardization and consolidation initiatives moving into full stride, it is imperative that we embrace an enterprise-wide governance model in order to achieve substantial cost savings and efficiencies in IT-delivered services. The Governor's Office and the Office of Management

and Budget has tasked CMS to center-lead this IT governance initiative. The governance model will establish guiding principles that will drive this standardization and consolidation initiative, as well as all future initiatives.

The BCCS Project Management Office, working with three consulting firms, will be contacting your IT management to further explain this governance and engage their cooperation and participation. Many of your CIO's have already contributed and participated in the early discussions of this model.

Your cooperation and active participation in this project is essential. The Governor's Office is strongly supportive of this governance model and the ongoing opportunities for cost savings. This initiative and will be closely monitored throughout implementation. If you have any questions about this project, please contact Jim Matthews at (217) 782-7155.